

HOUSE BILL 1481

By Dunn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
Chapter 7, relative to quality assurance funding for
outcomes in teacher training programs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-202(f), is amended by adding
the following as a new subdivision (4):

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(A) The funding formula model shall emphasize and promote outcomes
in teacher training programs approved by the state board of education by
providing quality assurance funding to state institutions of higher education
based on the outcome percentage of the institution's teacher training program
completers earning a Tennessee Value-Added Assessment System (TVAAS)
score of "above expectations" or "significantly above expectations" calculated
using the formula specified in subdivision (f)(4)(C).

(B) The commission shall determine the amount of quality assurance
funding awarded pursuant to this subdivision (f)(4) and shall ensure that each
award is proportionate to the outcome percentage calculated in subdivision
(f)(4)(C).

(C) The quality assurance funding awarded pursuant to this subdivision
(f)(4) must proportionately reflect the outcome percentage arrived at by
subtracting the percentage of an institution's teacher training program completers
earning a TVAAS score of "below expectations" or "significantly below
expectations" from the percentage of the institution's teacher training program

completers earning a TVAAS score of "above expectations" or "significantly above expectations." If the percentage of the institution's teacher training program completers earning a TVAAS score of "below expectations" or "significantly below expectations" equals or exceeds the percentage of the institution's teacher training program completers earning a TVAAS score of "above expectations" or "significantly above expectations," then the commission shall not award quality assurance funding to that institution based on the outcomes of its teacher training program.

(D) The TVAAS scores used to calculate the amount of quality assurance funding awarded pursuant to this subdivision (f)(4) are the annual TVAAS scores used to establish the teacher training program's provider impact score, or any other score calculated using the teacher effect data created pursuant to § 49-1-606, as reported in the annual assessment or report card developed pursuant to § 49-5-108(f).

(E) Quality assurance funding awarded pursuant to this subdivision (f)(4) shall not increase the amount of funding appropriated to state institutions of higher education in any fiscal year.

(F) For purposes of this subdivision (f)(4), "quality assurance funding" means any performance or incentive funding awarded to a state institution of higher education in a percentage amount over the institution's annual operating budget.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.